

Crackdown sought on motorbikes

Police have been asked by a Peel regional councillor to come up with a solution to the growing problem of mini-bikes and cross-country motorcycles on public and private land.

"I can't promise the police will come up with a solution, but you will get a report," said Mississauga Mayor Ron Searle, a member of the Peel Region Police Commission in response to the request from Brampton Councillor Terry Miller.

"We are all having the same problem with trail bikes on public and private property," Miller said.

"I get a lot of phone calls from angry residents about the noise and damage to lands."

Miller believes police might improve their effectiveness in trying to

nab trail-bike trespassers if they used trail bikes themselves.

But Brampton Mayor Jim Archdekin argued that if under-age people on mini-bikes are ever injured during a police chase, police could be held responsible.

Peel Chairman Lou Parsons was incredulous about parental attitudes. "How do we cope with parents who buy motorbikes for under-age kids. I just don't understand it."

Searle said that parents often resent police acting to stop a dangerous situation for their children.

"The most vitriolic phone call I ever received was from a parent angered by the police stopping his kid from riding a skateboard on a busy road," he said.

Coalition formed

Parents take on school board

By GREG SNOW
Times Staff Writer

Peel Board of Education has bitten the hand that feeds it once too often and now the hand is going to fight back, warns a newly formed coalition of parents.

The coalition emerged from a meeting held last week at Glenhaven Public School at which guest speaker Fiona Nelson told about 35 parents that "if the school board isn't paying attention to you, you should stop being absentee landlords and start getting in there and running it yourself."

Nelson, a former trustee and chairman of the Toronto Board of Education, said trustees and school officials are public servants who are supposed to be working for the public.

"It may come as a flash

to trustees, but you are the boss not the board officials," she said.

Her remarks were in response to a wide range of complaints against the school board voiced by the parents, many of whom had been involved in a year-long battle with the board to keep their neighborhood schools open.

The parents complained that the board was reluctant to hear delegations, was inconsiderate of people appearing before it and didn't really listen to what people were saying before decisions were made.

"Parents and taxpayers often have perfectly reasonable ideas and should be listened to, and even if the ideas aren't perfectly reasonable they should still be heard," Nelson said.

She described as "crap" a board regulation which

requires parents to notify the board in writing 96 hours in advance of a meeting that they wish to speak at the meeting.

"The noon hour of the day of the meeting should be sufficient," she said.

She stressed it was unfair that parental delegations were held to 10 minutes speaking time.

She said that in the future parents should refuse to stop speaking if they hadn't finished what they had to say.

"If they try to eject you in an election year (1978), it's not going to look very good. Refuse to sit down, block the doors. It's got to be guerrilla theatre when they've structured their meetings so it's impossible for you to operate."

She said that if the present trustees couldn't understand the rights of the people to speak, then it was time to prepare to

elect new trustees.

Chad Murray, president of the Applewood Hill's Homeowners Association, invited representatives from the other community groups to form an ad-hoc committee to unite forces in fighting the school board's school-closure policy.

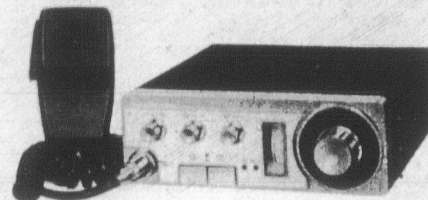
"We've got to do something — perhaps put together a brief and tell the board that their methods are wrong. We've divided and been conquered in the past. Now we'll get together," Murray said.

The new coalition, with representatives from the

Runningbrook, Byngmount, Sherway and Glenhaven school areas held its first meeting the night after listening to Nelson speak. It is first expected to come this week in an appearance before a board committee to challenge proposed exceptions to the school-closing policy.

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Entitled Living-Working-Playing in Peel, the 32-page book is the creation of Ken Brown, the region's information and public relations director, who resigned for personal reasons earlier this year after just six months on the job.

In that short period of time, however, he started a major educational and information program aimed

at increasing the population's awareness of Peel's past and present, as well as promoting the area as a good location for commerce and industry. Brown's sideline business is publishing historical works and plays for children through his Early Years Associates.

The coloring book uses the artwork of Debi Perna to show the living conditions, geography, industry and farms of the Peel region.

As a learning-activity book, it is aimed at pre-school and lower primary grade children and is available to schools for \$1 a copy, a non-profit price

that barely covers production costs.

The cover photograph of a boy drinking from a cold water tap is also being used on a Peel industrial-promotion poster that has been submitted to a Kodak-sponsored graphic arts contest in the U.S.

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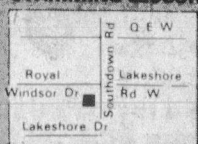
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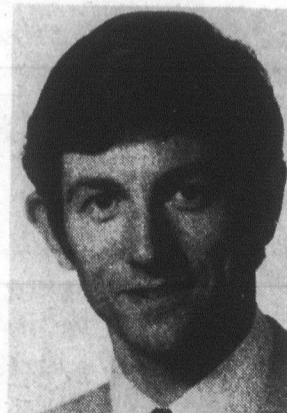
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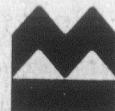


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